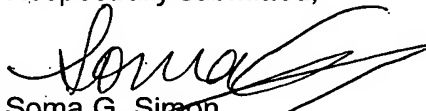


**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is being made upon entry of International Application No. PCT/EP03/03197 into the U.S. National Phase of prosecution. An Abstract on a separate sheet is attached as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b). Claims 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, and 21 - 24 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies. Claims 25 to 30 have been canceled. Entry of this amendment into the record is requested.

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